



Fish and Wildlife Harvesting Version: May 30, 2001

Location: This informal programmatic consultation applies to proposed actions in Washington State where the National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have concurred that the project not likely to adversely affect listed fish species and designated critical habitat and will not jeopardize proposed fish species or destroy or adversely modify proposed critical habitat.

Implementation Conditions: To be covered by this informal programmatic consultation, all actions addressed herein shall comply with the Implementation Conditions outlined in ***Programmatic Consultation – Phase I: General Implementation Conditions***. In addition, each action shall comply with specific conditions outlined below.

Timing: The action shall only occur once within one “work season” (the approved work windows described in ***Programmatic Consultation – Phase I: Approved Work Windows***) for a single and complete project. For example, only a maximum of 18 piles shall be replaced on a single pier within the approved work window. The following year, up to 18 piles may be replaced on the same pier within the approved work window for that year.

Adjacent: For the purposes of this document, “adjacent” is defined as within 300 linear feet. This is used when restricting projects from impacting special aquatic sites (such as an eelgrass bed or wetland) and/or salmonid or forage fish spawning areas.

Fish and Wildlife Harvesting: Placement of crab or shrimp pots, non-commercial clam digging, and non-commercial oyster and mussel harvesting provided that:

1. In Fresh Waters *excluding* the Columbia River mainstem: No work is authorized under this programmatic consultation in fresh waters.
2. In the Columbia River mainstem *including* Snake River and Baker Bay:
 - Work only occurs in tidal portions of the Columbia River (Baker Bay).
 - No clam digging or oyster and mussel harvesting activities occur over or adjacent to vegetated shallows.
3. In Marine/Estuarine Waters *excluding* Baker Bay:
 - No clam digging or oyster and mussel harvesting activities occur over or adjacent to vegetated shallows.